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SUBJECT: 29TH UNGA: SECOND COMMITTEE - WORLD POPULATION

CONFERENCE (ITEM 12): SWEDISH RES - RESEARCH INTO THE

INTERRELATIONSHIPS AMONG POPULATION, DEVELOPMENT, RESOURCES
AND ENVIRONMENT

REF: USUN 5235

1. WE ARE IN GENERAL AGREEMENT WITH THE SPIRIT OF THE
SWEDISH DRAFT RESOLUTION AND WITH ITS PREAMBULAR PARA-
GRAPHS. HOWEVER, THE OPERATIVE PARAGRAPHS DO NOT APPEAR
TO US TO BE SUFFICIENTLY SPECIFIC TO (1) PERMIT US TO
ASSESS THE IMPLICATIONS OF THE RES AND THUS TO COME TO A
DECISION REGARDING OUR SUPPORT FOR IT, AND (2) GIVE
ADEQUATE DIRECTIVES TO THE SYG IN BRINGING UN CAPABILITIES
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TO BEAR ON THE STUDIES REFERRED TO IN THE RES. SPECIFIC

COMMENTS AND GUIDANCE TOTHE DELEGATION FOLLOW.

2. OPERATIVE PARA 1: WE ARE NOT CLEAR AS TO THE NATURE OF THE "CENTRAL RESEARCH SERVICES" ENLVISIONED HERE. MODELING STUDIES CAN BE ENORMOUSLY COMPLEX AND REQUIRE A LARGE COMPUTING CAPABILITY. WE BELIEVE THE SYG SHOULD BE CALLED UPON TO SPELL OUT JUST WHAT SERVICES ARE

REQUIRED TO ASSIST IN THE CARRYING OUT OF THESE STUDIES AND HOW THESE SERVICES WOULD RELATE TO ONGOING AND PLANNED ACTIVITIES IN THIS AREA WITHIN THE UN.

3. OP PARA 2: IF UNITAR'S PROJECT ON THE FUTURE IS TO FORM THE CENTERPIECE OF THIS EFFORT, IT SHOULD BE SPECIFICALLY REFERRED TO. WE BELIEVE THAT UNITAR'S MANDATE WOULD INDEED PERMIT IT TO UNDERTAKE SUCH STUDIES, AND WE SEE A USEFUL ROLE FOR ITS TRAINING ACTIVITIES HERE AS WELL. HOWEVER, GIVEN UNITAR'S LIMITED RESOURCES AND THE OTHER HEAVY DEMANDS BEING PLACED ON IT, WE BELIEVE THAT ANY UNITAR ACTIVITY IN THIS AREA SHOULD BE FUNDED BY SPECIAL VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS, AND NOT THROUGH ITS REGULAR BUDGET.

4. OP PARA 3: WE AGREE THAT SUCH COORDINATION IS NECESSARY, BUT BECAUSE OTHER UN GROUPS, SUCH AS THE POPULATION COMMISSION, STATISTICAL COMMISSION, COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES, ETC. SHOULD ALSO BE CONCERNED, UNEP SHOULD NOT BE SINGLED OUT FOR SPECIAL ATTENTION. IN ADDITION, COOPERATION SHOULD BE URGED WHERE FEASIBLE WITH GROUPS CARRYING OUT RELATED ACTIVITIES OUTSIDE THE UN SYSTEM.

5. OP PARA 4: WE AGREE THIS IS A USEFUL ROLE FOR THE UN.

6. OP PARA 5: WE BELIEVE THIS DECISION TO BE PREMATURE. DELEGATION SHOULD SEEK TO MODIFY RES TO REQUEST SYG TO PRESENT HIS ASSESSMENT OF NEEDS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR UN INVOLVEMENT IN THIS AREA TO 59TH ECOSOC AND INSTRUCT ECOSOC TO REPORT BACK RECOMMENDATIONS TO 30TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

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7. IF DEL IS UNSUCCESSFUL IN GETTING RESOLUTION MODIFIED ALONG LINES ABOVE GUIDANCE, DEL SHOULD ABSTAIN IN VOTE. INGERSOLL

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